Wisconsin Emergency Operations Center

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Storm Update 10 - July 17, 2016 5 pm

Damage Assessments - Damage assessments continue in northern Wisconsin to determine the financial impacted of the recent flooding event. As of 5 p.m., seven counties, the Bad River Tribe, and the Department of Natural Resources, have submitted initial damage assessment reports from the flooding. Below are those damage estimates. These numbers will change as more assessments and updates to assessments are submitted.

Damage to homes and businesses				
County	Affected/Minor	Major Damage	Destroyed	Total
	Damage			
Ashland	140	2	0	\$500,000
Bad River Band	8	2	10	\$1,036,000
Bayfield	20	10	0	\$150,000
Burnett	0	0	0	0
Douglas	0	0	0	0
Iron	0	0	0	0
Sawyer	112	0	0	\$100,000
TOTAL	280	14	10	\$1,786,000

Damage to Public Infrastructure (Roads, Bridges, Trails)			
Ashland	\$5,820,500		
Bad River Band Tribe	\$3,403,054		
Bayfield	\$5,397,000		
Burnett	\$375,000		
Douglas	\$750,927		
Iron	\$11,510,000		
Sawyer	\$470,000		
Washburn	\$1,000,000		
Dept. of Natural Resources (recreation trails)	\$100,000		
TOTAL	\$28,826,481		

County by County Update:

Ashland County- Several residents are reporting basement flooding and other damage. County officials continue to assess residential damage.

Bad River Band- Red Cross is providing meals to the Bad River Reservation. A Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC) will open next week to help residents of Bad River to access available community resources to assist in the recovery.

Iron County- The U.S. Coast Guard reports all boats on the rocks around Saxon Harbor have been recovered. Other boats have been secured and stabilized. Private insurance adjusters will be on scene this week. Officials are continuing to look for two boats and two vehicles which are still unaccounted for.

Sawyer County- The Sawyer County Office of Emergency Management is collecting flood damage information from citizens. Residents who sustained flood damage, regardless of the amount, it is being asked that you contact the <u>Flood Impact Hotline</u> at: (715) 638-3355 or (844) 638-3593 [toll free].

US 2 in Ashland and Iron Counties is now open

Work is still in progress on US 2 at Kakagon River in Ashland County and is anticipated to be completed July 22. The remainder of US 2 is now open to car and light truck traffic detoured onto a local route via River Road, Old US 2 and Kakagon Road. Semi-truck traffic should follow the posted truck detour via US 51, WIS 77, WIS 13, US 63 and US 53.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation continues to assess roadways for damage and detour routes as necessary. Though many routes have been reopened, please use caution when traveling in impacted areas.

Ashland County

- US 2 is closed east of Odanah at Kakagon River. Use local route via River Road, Old US 2 and Kakagon Road.
- US 2 is now open at Denomie Creek near Bad River in Odanah.
- WIS 13 corridor is closed between Mellen and WIS 112. Use WIS 77, US 63, US 53 and US 2 as alternative route.

Bayfield County

- US 63 is closed at Twentymile Creek near Grand View, north of Drummond. Traffic detoured via County Highway N and County Highway A.
- US 63 is closed near Bibon Swamp between Grand View and Mason.

Burnett County

WIS 35 is closed in Riverside at South Markville Road. Traffic detoured via WIS 77 and US 53.

Iron County

- WIS 122 closed north of US 2 to Michigan State Line. No official detour posted.
- WIS 169 is closed between WIS 13 and US 2. No official detour posted.

Motorists are advised to drive with caution on all area roads and are reminded **not to drive through standing water**. For up-to-date closures and detour information visit www.511wi.gov, download the free mobile app or follow @511WI on Twitter.

Recreation Properties - The WI Department of Natural Resources has been assessing damage to campgrounds and other recreation lands. Travel to some of the destinations may take longer due to road closures. They have updates located on the DNR website located at http://dnr.wi.gov/

Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest: Flood Status updates, including a listing of forest roads open to local traffic within the closure area, are posted at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/cnnf/alerts-notices/?aid=35126. Updates will be posted by noon each day.

Red Cross Hotline- The Red Cross has established a dedicated phone number for individuals with a primary residence that has suffered major damage or has been destroyed. That hotline number is 715-563-6188. All other non-flooding related calls can be directed to 1-877-618-6628.

The State Emergency Operations Center is elevated to Level 2 with Wisconsin Emergency Management, Wisconsin National Guard, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin Department of Administration, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Wisconsin Department of Health Services. WEM Regional offices are on scene working with county emergency management agencies.

Updates on the Northern Wisconsin Flooding is available at http://readywisconsin.wi.gov

Updates are also located on Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/readywisconsin</u>), Twitter (<u>www.twitter.com/readywisconsin</u>), and Instagram (<u>www.instagram.com/readywisconsin</u>).